Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [4],

[in the formula, wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group —] by reacting 1-β-D-arabinofuranosyluracil in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [1],

<u>{in the formula, wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group −}</u> with a trifluoromethanesulfonylating agent represented by the formula [2], CF₃SO₂X [2]

[in the formula, wherein X represents a F atom, Cl atom or CF_3SO_3 group -]. in the presence of an organic base, to convert it to a 2'-triflate form represented by the formula [3],

[in the formula, wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group, and Tf represents a CF_3SO_2 group —]—, followed by reacting with a fluorinating agent comprising [["]] a salt or complex comprising an organic base and hydrofluoric acid [["]].

2. (Currently amended) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [4],

[in the formula, R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group —]— by reacting 1-β-D-arabinofuranosyluracil in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [1],

[in the formula, wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group —] with a trifluoromethanesulfonylating agent represented by the formula [5], CF₃SO₂F [5]

in the presence of triethylamine, to convert it to a 2'-triflate form represented by the formula [3],

3. (Currently amended) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [8],

[in the formula, wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group —]— by reacting 1-β-D-arabinofuranosyluracil in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form, represented by the formula [6],

<u>fin the formula</u>, <u>wherein</u> THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group ——— with a trifluoromethanesulfonylating agent represented by the formula [5],

CF₃SO₂F [5]

in the presence of triethylamine, to convert it to a 2'-triflate form represented by the formula [7],

[in the formula, wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group, and Tf represents a CF_3SO_2 group —]—, followed by reacting with a fluorinating agent comprising [["]] a salt or complex comprising triethylamine and hydrofluoric acid [["]].

4. (Currently amended) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

by reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [4],

[in the formula, wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group —]— or 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [8],

[in the formula, wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group —]—, which has been produced by any the process of claim 1, elaim 2 and claim 3, with a deprotecting agent.

5. (Currently amended) A process for purifying 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

comprising reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

with an acetylating agent in the presence of an organic base, to convert it to 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form represented by the formula [10],

<u>fin the formula, wherein</u> Ac represents an acetyl group —]—, followed by a recrystallization purification of the 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form and then reacting with a deacetylating agent.

6. (Currently amended) A process for purifying 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

comprising reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine, which has been produced by the process of claim 4 and is represented by the formula [9],

with an acetylating agent in the presence of an organic base, to convert it to 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form represented by the formula [10],

[in the formula, wherein Ac represents an acetyl group —]—, followed by a recrystallization purification of the 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form and then reacting with a deacetylating agent.

7. (Currently amended) A 2'-triflate form represented by the formula [7],

[in the formula, wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group, and Tf represents a CF_3SO_2 group —]—.

8. (New) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

by reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [4],

wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group or 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [8],

wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group, which has been produced by the process of claim 2, with a deprotecting agent.

9. (New) A process for purifying 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

comprising reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine, which has been produced by the process of claim 8 and is represented by the formula [9],

with an acetylating agent in the presence of an organic base, to convert it to 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form represented by the formula [10],

wherein Ac represents an acetyl group, followed by a recrystallization purification of the 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form and then reacting with a deacetylating agent.

10. (New) A process for producing 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

by reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [4],

wherein R represents a protecting group of hydroxyl group or 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-hydroxyl-protected form represented by the formula [8],

wherein THP represents a tetrahydropyranyl group, which has been produced by the process of claim 3, with a deprotecting agent.

11. (New) A process for purifying 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine represented by the formula [9],

comprising reacting 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine, which has been produced by the process of claim 10 and is represented by the formula [9],

with an acetylating agent in the presence of an organic base, to convert it to 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form represented by the formula [10],

wherein Ac represents an acetyl group, followed by a recrystallization purification of the 2'-deoxy-2'-fluorouridine in 3',5'-diacetylated form and then reacting with a deacetylating agent.